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REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 17-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e). Claims 7 and 15-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a). Claim 20 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. The specification and the drawings were objected to.

Objection to the Abstract

The Examiner has objected to the Abstract for being less than the range of 50 to 150 words in length.

Applicant has replaced the Abstract with a new Abstract to provide the proper word length. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract.

Objection to the Drawings

The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include reference signs mentioned in the Description.

Applicant has responded by amending the specification to indicate that element 505 is shown in FIG. 3, element 605 is shown in FIG. 4, and element 702 is shown in FIG. 5.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 20 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the Office Action states that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicant has responded by amending the specification per the suggestion of the Examiner.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e)

Claims 1-6, 8-14 and 17-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e) as being anticipated by U. S. Patent Application Number 2001/0009014 issued to Savage et al. dated July 19, 2001.

Applicant has avoided this ground of rejection for the following reasons.

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Applicant's claim 1, as amended, now recites,

"one or more application server components that transmit one or more user inputs to one or more telephony devices on a call through employment of one or more data streams associated with the call;

wherein the one or more application server components establish the one or more data streams via employment of a) one or more data stream request messages and b) one or more identifiers which distinguish calls associated with the one or more application server components, and wherein the one or more application server components select the one or more identifiers through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method."

Savage does **not** teach this limitation. Instead, Savage discloses a fundamental unit of data which flows through the mesh referred to as an "atom". The Office Action equates Salvage's "atom" to applicant's "one or more identifiers". However, contrary to applicant's claim 1, Salvage does **not** teach "wherein the one or more application server components select the one or more identifiers through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method". This is because Salvage's application servers do **not** select the atom. Also, Salvage does **not** disclose that the atom is selected via a random, a static or a priority selection method. Thus, Salvage is missing the ""wherein the one or more application server components select the one or more identifiers through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method" elements, as recited in applicant's claim 1.

Thus, the clear teaching of Savage is that the one or more application server components do **not** select the one or more identifiers through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method.

In view of the foregoing, applicant submits that Savage does not describe each and every element of claim 1, and therefore claim 1 is not anticipated by Savage. Since claims 2-6, 8-14 and 21 depend from allowable claim 1, these claims are also allowable over Savage.

Independent claims 17 and 20 each have a limitation similar to that of independent claim 1, which was shown is not taught by Savage. For example, claims

17 and 20 recite, "wherein the one or more identifiers are selected through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method". Savage does not teach this limitation for the above-mentioned reasons. Therefore, claims 17 and 20 are likewise allowable over Savage. Since claims 18-19 depend from claim 17, these dependent claims are also allowable over Savage.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a)

Claims 7 and 15-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over U. S. Patent Application Number 2002/0009014 issued to Savage et al. dated July 19, 2001 in view of U. S. Patent Application Number 2004/0015405 issued to Cloutier et al. dated January 22, 2004.

Applicant respectfully traverses this ground of rejection.

Claims 7 and 15-16 depend from independent claim 1. As noted hereinabove, Savage does **not** teach or suggest "wherein the one or more application server components select the one or more identifiers through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method", as recited in applicant's independent claim 1 or "wherein the one or more identifiers are selected through employment of i) a random selection method, ii) a static selection method or iii) a priority selection method" as recited in applicant's independent claims 17 and 20. Cloutier does **not** teach or suggest the elements either. Thus, claims 7 and 15-16 are allowable over the proposed combination of Savage and Cloutier under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a).

New Claim

New claim 22 has been added. Claim 22 provides an additional limitation directed to the one or more identifiers. No new matter was added.

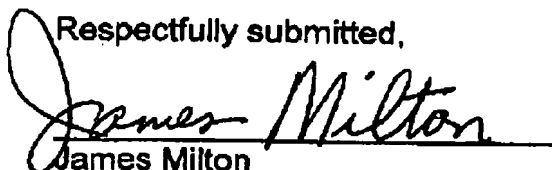## Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the Office Action's rejections have been overcome and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of all claims pending is respectfully requested. If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney.

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